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AND ACIDS AND THEIR
THERAPEUTIC APPLICATIONS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed December 13, 2005 with respect to the patent application identified above.


The Examiner has required election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. The Applicants, by their attorney, now elect the species described in the Specification in Example 3, namely, the compound N-(2-amino-2-oxoethyl)spiro[2.5]octane-1-carboxamide. In the nomenclature of Claims 1 and 26, this is compound (I) of Claim 1 in which A is cycloalkyl (and in particular cyclohexyl); R_A , R_B and R_C are each hydrogen; R_1 is - NR_3R_4 ; one of R_3 and R_4 is hydrogen and the other is (NR_5R_6) carbonylalkyl; and R_5 and R_6 are both hydrogen, as well as the compound (II) of Claim 26 in which A is cycloalkyl (and in particular cyclohexyl); R_A , R_B and R_C are each hydrogen; one of R_3 and R_4 is hydrogen and the other is (NR_5R_6) carbonylalkyl; and R_5 and R_6 are both hydrogen. The claims reading thereon are as follows: Claims 1, 10-14, 22-31 and 39. Accordingly, but without prejudice to the patentability of the subject matter therein, please cancel Claims 2-9, 15-21 and 32-38. Because all inventors participated jointly in Claims 1, 10-14, 22-31 and 39, no amendment of inventorship is believed necessary. Favorable action is now solicited.

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